

House File 326 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the collection and retention of fees by
2 the public employment relations board.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 20.6, Code 2011, is amended by adding the
2 following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 4A. Establish and collect fees payable by a
4 person or entity accessing one or more services available from
5 or through the board. The board may charge a person or entity
6 a fee for accessing the services of the federal mediation
7 and conciliation service through the board if the person or
8 entity does not otherwise have a right to directly access such
9 services, unless otherwise prohibited by federal law. The
10 board shall only establish and collect fees necessary for the
11 board to continue offering services required by this chapter.
12 A fee shall not exceed the cost of the service associated
13 with the fee. The board shall not establish a fee which
14 would significantly impair the accessibility of any service
15 provided by the board. All fees collected by the board shall
16 be retained as repayment receipts, as defined in section 8.2,
17 and such fees shall be used exclusively to offset the costs of
18 administering this chapter.

19 EXPLANATION

20 This bill provides that the public employment relations
21 board has the power to establish and collect fees payable by
22 a person or entity accessing one or more services available
23 from or through the board. The bill provides that the board
24 may charge a person or entity a fee for accessing the services
25 of the federal mediation and conciliation service through
26 the board if the person or entity does not otherwise have
27 a right to directly access such services, unless otherwise
28 prohibited by federal law. The bill provides that the board
29 can only establish and collect fees necessary for the board
30 to continue offering services required by Code chapter 20.
31 The bill specifies that a fee cannot exceed the cost of the
32 service associated with the fee or significantly impair the
33 accessibility of any service provided by the board. The bill
34 provides that fees collected by the board shall be retained as
35 repayment receipts to be used by the board to offset the costs

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1 of administering Code chapter 20.